

TALK IMPEACHING MAYOR FERN CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE OBEY POPULAR VOTE

Mayor's Threatened Hold-Up Declared Ground For Impeachment if Tried

Mayor Fern made quite a sensation today by his aggressive attitude towards the majority of the board of supervisors. The threat was held out that he would veto the appropriation bill, as a retaliation upon the supervisors for not confirming his appointments, but the Republican members of the board appear to regard the proposition as a "bluff" and they are quite prepared to tell the mayor to go ahead and veto.

The threat that the mayor could hold up the county finances for two months, and prevent payments of salaries and other expenses, by refusing to approve the appropriation bill, is said by the supervisors to indicate gross ignorance of the terms of the county act. The supervisors claim to be able to pass the appropriation bill, without any signature of the mayor, before the end of this month. According to the terms of the act, the mayor has ten days within which to sign or veto a bill, after which time the board can pass it over his veto.

"The law also says," said one of the supervisors, "that the mayor may veto items separately in an appropriation bill, giving his reasons therefor. It is of course impossible that he should disapprove all the items in a long appropriation bill, when most of it is just like the one under which the county has been running for two years."

"We are told that the mayor threatens to veto the entire bill, solely as a means of 'holding up' the affairs of the city and county because the super-

visors haven't approved some of his appointments. What have the appointments to do with the appropriation bill anyhow? Absolutely nothing. The mayor cannot hold us up, or bluff us, that way. It is his duty to consider the appropriation bill on its merits."

The more belligerent attitude of the mayor appears to have made the board stand against him all the stronger. If he should veto the appropriation bill, there is no doubt of its being passed over his veto, within as quick time as the statutes and the rules of procedure of the board allow.

"The mayor if correctly quoted in his threats is liable to impeachment if he carries them out," was one statement made this morning. "He is placed in the attitude of directly threatening to tie up all the affairs of the municipality for no other reason than to force a political bargain and get his men in office. If he does try so to tie up the public business and it is proved that he made the threat to do so for the reason given, he ought to be impeached."

Another member of the board said that the majority members were quite willing to stand in with and co-operate with the mayor, but could never agree to confirm some of his appointments. He declared that it was not true, as the mayor stated, that the members of the board had declined to discuss with him or to compromise their differences.

CONDEMNATION SUIT DEMURRERS WILL NOT BE CONTESTED

The demurrers being filed in the federal suit to condemn land for the Mahuka site will not be fought, according to a statement made this morning by United States District Attorney R. W. Breckons. "I am willing without arguing the matter to go into court and amend the petition so that it will contain the various allegations which the respondents are

citing as lacking," said Breckons. "When the first demurrer came up I announced in court that I would allege anything desired, in order to get the case to trial and bring the question of price before a jury. "When the demurrers are all in I suppose we shall amend our petition and proceed to get the case before a jury for settlement of the question of the value of the land."

NEW SECRETARY OF JAPANESE Y. M. C. A. TO BE BROUGHT HERE

The sale of the Y. M. C. A. building is advertised for Saturday next at twelve o'clock.

The work on the new building is progressing so rapidly that the committee is planning to go into occupation on October 1 next. It is expected, therefore, that the present premises will be evacuated about that time. The contract for the new building, O. Hall & Son in Bethel street. At calls for completion by October 15, but Mr. Chambers, the contractor, is confident that he will be finished long before that, and mentions a date in September. Possibly, of course, something unforeseen will crop up to prevent him carrying this out, but at present he can see nothing in the way.

The committee is at work figuring regarding the furnishings, and it is expected that within a few weeks it will have things in order so much that the necessary orders can be given.

A meeting of the directors was held last evening, when the question of charges for membership was brought up and discussed at length, following the receipt of a report from the membership committee. Ultimately, it was resolved to allow the matter to stand over until the next meeting, later 28, 1883. There is no debt on it was also mentioned that the Ja-

CHILLINGWORTH ALMOST CERTAIN TO BE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

The indications are strong that less something happens to change Hon. C. F. Chillingworth will be the president of the next Senate, though a strong lead that the contest will be there is something of a contest still dropped.

Knudsen of Kauai has supporters who would like to see him president, and there are others who want Judd given the gavel. It appears likely at present that the matter will come to a vote. In the House an open contest will cast most if not all of its strength appear likely at this time. It has been conceded for some time that Speaker Holstein would be re-elected, but a canvass of the members from the boom for Kellinui of Maui Maui and Hawaii indicates that most of them are for Chillingworth.

OFFICER REPRIMANDED FOR TOO FRIENDLY WORDS AT LONDON BANQUET

(Special Cable to The Star.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 10.—President Taft has ordered that a reprimand be given to Naval Commander Sims, on account of his speech at the Lord Mayor's dinner in London in honor of the visiting American fleet. In the course of his remarks at the banquet, Commander Sims declared his opinion that the United States could depend upon the aid of England in case of war between the United States and any other country. He remarked in eloquent language that he believed that Great Britain would fight to the last limit to aid the United States.

The remarks of Commander Sims created quite a sensation, and were taken up in Washington as improper for an officer of the naval service. The defense was made that Sims was expressing his personal views.

President Taft's decision announced today means that officers in the service have no right to express such views in public.

REASON ENOUGH.
"He pays me a great deal of attention," admitted the girl's father. "Yes, you seem dissatisfied?" "Yes, I'm afraid that he won't be able to pay any board."—Louisville Courier Journal.

CHOOSES SENATOR WHO GOT BIGGEST PRIMARY VOTE

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.)

SACRAMENTO, January 10.—Judge J. D. Works, who polled the biggest vote in the primaries, was chosen today for United States Senator to succeed Senator Flint, on the first ballot, by an overwhelming majority. He had ninety-two votes in the joint session of both houses, E. R. Spaulding of San Diego had 21, one each were cast for Kent and Merserve, and Raker, Democrat, had three votes.

The new senator is a Los Angeles man, and though he won in the primaries a vigorous fight was made against him by the supporters of Spaulding, who claimed that the primary results did not bind the legislature.

One of the issues of the contest was as to whether the legislators were in honor bound to follow the preference expressed by the Republican voters by popular majority at their primary. Works received a majority of the votes cast in the primary, while Spaulding carried a majority of the districts. A bitter fight was waged as to whether the verdict was to be considered as favoring Works or Spaulding. The legislature's emphatic vote sets a precedent for following the popular vote.

PENSIONS NOW FOR ALL VETERANS

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 10.—A pension bill including in its provisions for pensions practically all the veterans of the Civil War and the Mexican War passed the House today. The bill provides that every surviving member of the armies engaged in either of these wars shall be entitled to a pension from the government.

FOURTEEN DROWNED.

HIGHLAND LIGHT, Mass., January 10.—Fourteen men were drowned here today by the stranding of three barges.

NEW OHIO SENATOR.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, January 10.—Pomarine was elected today United States Senator.

CHOICE FOR SENATOR.

HARTFORD, Conn., January 10.—George Payne McLean, former governor of this state, was chosen by the Republican caucus of legislators here as candidate for United States Senator.

COMMANDER LUBY, DEAD.

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 10.—Commander John F. Luby of the Boston Navy yard, is dead.

A. E. Minvielle, long connected with the special police staff yesterday resigned his position to take that of Spanish interpreter in the police court.

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EMBEZZLEMENT AND FORGERY.

A well-dressed young Chinese, answering to the name of Francis Ching Fun, was charged in the police court this morning with embezzlement and forgery. Francis was arrested on the application of Alfred J. Oram, of the Office Supply Company, and it is anticipated that as a result of the enquiries made since his arrest, other charges will be brought against him. At present he stands charged with the embezzlement of \$3000 given him by Oram to invest in a paddy-field proposition, and with having forged a check for \$50, to the order of Ching Cheong and signing Oram's name to it. The proceedings at the court this morning were formal in character. W. W. Thayer, representing the defendant, applying for a continuance until Thursday. This request was granted and defendant reserved his plea.

A FOLLOWER OF INFLUENZA.

An attack of influenza is often followed by a persistent cough, which to many proves a great annoyance. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been extensively used and with good success for the relief and cure of this cough. Many cases have been cured after other well known remedies have failed. For sale by all dealers. Benson, Smith & Co., agents for Hawaii.

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